1633. [*Transferred to the* 19*the August* 1988].

Japantse investments in India

1634. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Japan has suggested major changes in policy framework for foreign investment in India, particularly dilution of the FERA and MRTP to enthuse Japanese investment in a big way; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction to this suggestion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Unauthorised ganja plantation

1635. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) how many raids were conducted by the Central Narcotics Bureau so far during the current year in each State to destroy ganja plantation;

(b) what was the estimated area covered under ganja plantation as detected by the Bureau in each State and what was the approximate market price of the product to be acquired out of this plantation, Statewise; and

(c) what steps are being taken to ensure that ganja cultivation is not allowed in any part of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Four operations in Kerala and one in Tamilnadu, for destruction of illicit ganja cultivation have so far been co-ordinated by the Narcotics Control Bureau during the current year.

(b) Ganja plantations in 327 acres in Kerala and 15 acres in Tamilnadu had been destroyed during the above operations. The approximate estimated illicit market value of the potential dry ganja which would have been yielded by these plantations is Rs. 53.06 crores for Kerala and Rs. 1.87 crores in Tamilnadu.

(c) The ganja cultivation, save for medical or scientific purposes, will be banned by the Government by the end of 1989. States and Union Territories have already been informed of the same and requested to take necessary action in this regard. The Narcotics Control Bureau and other central enforcement agencies like Customs and Central Excise are also undertaking operations to identify and destroy illicit cultivation of cannabis.

Sarkaria Committee on the status of Delhi

1636. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) when Government appointed Sarkaria Committee to determine the status of Delhi;

(b) what were its terms of reference;

(c) how much expenditure has been incurred in this regard as on date; and

(d) whether the report has been submitted; if not, by when it is expected to be submitted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) A Committee known as 'The Committee on the Reorganisation of the Delhi set-up' was appointed under the Chairmanship of Justice R. S. Sarkaria on the 24 Decem-